

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

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Listing of Claims:

1 Claim 1 (currently amended): An asset management advice system comprising:
2 a database storing purchase and sale signals relating to assets to be
3 traded in a market; and
4 a data processing means for both producing a suitable investment
5 scenario when a user's property information is input from a user terminal via a
6 prescribed communication mechanism, referring to the purchase and sale signals to
7 send management advice data based on the investment scenario to the user
8 terminal, the advice being to purchase or sell at least one asset, and said system
9 performing an asset transaction in accordance with [a] the user's communicated
10 decision to purchase or sell, response to the management advice data from the user
11 terminal, wherein, the user can select either a real mode in which the system
12 responds to the user's decision by accessing to access the market to perform real
13 time actual asset transactions made by via the data processing means, or a virtual
14 mode in which the transactions are performed virtually by said data processing
15 means without making an actual asset transaction, transaction in the market, and the
16 results are tracked using actual market results as if an actual transaction had been
17 made in the market.

1 Claim 2 (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 1 wherein, data relating to prices, the amount of remains and the volume of
3 trading of assets to be traded is utilized as parameters for the purchase and sale
4 signals.

1 Claim 3 (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 2 wherein, quantitative data relating to assets to be traded and their sources is
3 also utilized as parameters for the purchase and sale signals.

1 Claim 4 (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 2 wherein, qualitative data relating to assets to be traded and their sources is
3 also utilized as parameters for the purchase and sale signals.

1 Claim 5 (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 2 wherein, quantitative macro information data in the locations of sources and
3 transaction regions of assets to be traded is also utilized as parameters for the
4 purchase and sale signals.

1 Claim 6 (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 2 wherein, qualitative macro information data in the locations of sources and
3 transaction regions of assets to be traded is also utilized as parameters for the
4 purchase and sale signals.

1 Claim 7 (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 1 wherein, the data processing means automatically collects data concerning
3 the purchase and sale signals relating to an asset recommended by the investment
4 scenario and data constituting parameters for them to update the database.

1 Claim 8 (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 1 wherein, the data processing means produces a plurality of investment
3 scenarios with different characteristics and produces management advice data based
4 on one investment scenario of them in accordance with the user's selection.

1 Claim 9 (original): An asset management advice system according to claim 8
2 wherein, an animation character is set for each investment scenario and the
3 character operates in accordance with the management advice data, to be an
4 interface with the user.

1 Claim 10 (original): An asset management advice system according to claim 9
2 wherein, the data processing means stores management performance records for a
3 past prescribed period of each investment scenario and the management
4 performance records together with the animation character are presented to the user.

1 Claim 11. (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 8 wherein, the data processing means automatically collects data concerning
3 the purchase and sale signals relating to an asset recommended in accordance with

4 the characteristics of each scenario and data constituting parameters for them to
5 update the database.

1 Claim 12 (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 1 wherein, the data processing means automatically collects data concerning
3 the purchase and sale signals relating to user's holding assets and data constituting
4 parameters for them to update the database.

1 Claim 13 (canceled)

1 Claim 14 (currently amended) An asset management advice system comprising:
2 a communication means for connection to a database storing purchase and
3 sale signals relating to assets to be traded in a market;
4 a data processing means for producing a suitable investment scenario when a
5 user's property information is inputted from a prescribed input means, referring to the
6 purchase and sale signals to provide management advice data based on the
7 investment scenario to the user, the advice being to purchase or sell at least one
8 asset, and selectively performing an actual or virtual asset transaction in accordance
9 with the user's response to the management advice data;
10 the data processing means further producing a plurality of investment
11 scenarios with different characteristics, and management advice data based on one
12 of said investment scenarios selected by the user; and

13 an animation character being set for each investment scenario, the character
14 operates in accordance with the management advice data, to be an interface with the
15 user.

1 Claim 15 (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 14 wherein, data relating to prices, the amount of remains and the volume of
3 trading of assets to be traded is utilized as parameters for the purchase and sale
4 signals.

1 Claim 16 (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 15 wherein, quantitative data relating to assets to be traded and their sources is
3 also utilized as parameters for the purchase and sale signals.

1 Claim 17 (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 15 wherein, qualitative data relating to assets to be traded and their sources is
3 also utilized as parameters for the purchase and sale signals.

1 Claim 18 (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 15 wherein, quantitative macro information data in the locations of sources and
3 transaction regions of assets to be traded is also utilized as parameters for the
4 purchase and sale signals.

1 Claim 19 (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to

2 claim 15 wherein, qualitative macro information data in the locations of sources and
3 transaction regions of assets to be traded is also utilized as parameters for the
4 purchase and sale signals.

1 Claim 20 (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 14 wherein, the data processing means automatically collects data concerning
3 the purchase and sale signals relating to an asset recommended by the investment
4 scenario and data constituting parameters for them to update the database.

1 Claim 21 (canceled).

1 Claim 22 (canceled).

1 Claim 23 (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 14 wherein, the data processing means stores management performance
3 records for a past prescribed period of each investment scenario, and the
4 management performance records together with the animation character are
5 presented to the user.

1 Claim 24 (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 14 wherein, the data processing means automatically collects data concerning
3 the purchase and sale signals relating to an asset recommended in accordance with
4 the characteristics of each scenario, and data constituting parameters for them to
5 update the database.

1 Claim 25 (previously presented): An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 14 wherein, the data processing means automatically collects data concerning
3 the purchase and sale signals relating to the user's holding assets and data
4 constituting parameters for them to update the database.

1 Claim 26 (previously presented) An asset management advice system according to
2 claim 14 wherein, the user can select either a real mode in which to access the
3 market to perform actual asset transactions made by the data processing means in
4 real time, or a virtual mode in which the asset transaction are performed virtually and
5 with no access to the market.

1 Claim 27 (currently amended): A recording medium recording an asset management
2 advice program that makes a data processing unit perform steps comprising:

3 ~~a scenario producing process of producing a suitable investment scenario~~
4 when in response to a user's property information is provided as an input;

5 ~~a management advising process of referring to purchase and sale signals~~
6 ~~relating to an asset to be traded and stored in a database to produce management~~
7 advice data producing management advice data based on the investment scenario
8 relative to purchase and sale signals relating to an asset to be traded, the advice
9 being to purchase or sell at least one asset; and

10 ~~a trading process of performing an asset transaction in accordance with the~~
11 user's communicated decision to purchase or sell, response to the management
12 advice data, wherein in the trading process the user can select either a real mode in
13 which to access the system responds to the user's decision by accessing the market

14 to make actual transactions, or a virtual mode to make transactions virtually using
15 actual market values at the time without making an actual asset transaction, and the
16 results are tracked using actual market results as if an actual transaction had been
17 made in the market.

1 Claim 28 (previously presented): A recording medium according to claim 27 wherein,
2 the asset management advice program further comprises a process in which a data
3 processing unit automatically collects data concerning the purchase and sale signals
4 relating to an asset recommended by the investment scenario and data constituting
5 parameters for them to update the database.

1 Claim 29 (previously presented): A recording medium according to claim 27 wherein,
2 in the scenario producing process a plurality of investment scenarios with different
3 characteristics are produced, and the user selects one investment scenario
4 therefrom.

1 Claim 30 (previously presented): A recording medium according to claim 29 wherein,
2 in the scenario producing process an animation character is set for each investment
3 scenario, and in the management advising process the character operates in
4 accordance with the management advice data, for providing an interface with the
5 user.

1 Claim 31 (previously presented): A recording medium according to claim 30 wherein,
2 the asset management advice program further comprises a process of storing

3 management performance records for a past prescribed period of each investment
4 scenario, and in the management advising process the management performance
5 records together with the animation character are presented to the user.

1 Claim 32 (previously presented): A recording medium according to claim 29 wherein,
2 the asset management advice program further comprises a process of automatically
3 collecting data concerning the purchase and sale signals relating to an asset
4 recommended in accordance with the characteristics of each scenario, and data
5 constituting parameters for them to update the database.

1 Claim 33 (previously presented): A recording medium according to claim 27 wherein,
2 the asset management advice program further comprises a process of automatically
3 collecting data concerning the purchase and sale signals relating to the user's holding
4 assets and data constituting parameters for them to update the database.

1 Claim 34 (canceled).